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Dear Professor Lederberg,

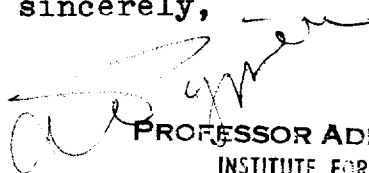
I am very pleased that I am still on your mailing list. I like to read what you write, it is a difficult subject but you write particularly clearly and when I have read you, I know what is going on.

But I want specially to compliment you on your essay on Exobiology. That really is something as they say "out of this world"! I am not sure that I have as you put it "recaptured my equilibrium" after reading it. I felt a bit giddy when reading it. I never had given much thought to these conceptions of space travel, and planetary investigations, but you have brought the whole matter to life for me. And I see now that we cannot just leave the further development to the physicists. People like you, the leading biologists, must have a say, must be consulted, must be able to advise. Thanks to you I see the urgency of that now, and I trust people will listen to you.

Thank you for writing all this and for letting me have a reprint.

I am still struggling with the problem of bacterial motility, and I am getting things on paper again, after a long time of nothingness.

Kind regards,
yours sincerely,



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